Dover Green Historic District

Listed in the National Register of Historic Places, the Dover Green Historic District is bounded by Governors Avenue, North Street, South Street and East Street. The center of the Historic District was originally known as Court House Square; today, it is called "The Green". This resource is significant for its architecture, archaeology and community planning.

Automobile-Related Business

Automobile-related businesses dominated the South Governors Avenue area by the mid-20th century when the roadway served as US 13. These businesses included auto dealers, service stations, diners and motels.

One of Dover's first commercial malls was constructed after World War II. The Mall at Rodney Village is located just south of the project area. It is adjacent to the Rodney Village subdivision, which was completed in 1960.

Today, most of the automobile oriented businesses that once thrived next to vestiges of the area's agricultural past, such as the Capital Grange Hall, are being replaced by healthcare related industries. These newer healthcare related businesses continue to focus on the expansion of the Bayhealth Medical Center, formerly known as Kent General Hospital.

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A Note of Thanks

DelDOT thanks you for your patience and cooperation while its representatives conduct the cultural resources studies for the South Governors Avenue Project. Any information that may help us gain insight related to the history of the area is appreciated.

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To learn about federal regulations regarding cultural resources, please consult:

The Advisory Council on Historic Preservation www.achp.gov

The U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Highway Administration www.fhwa.dot.gov

The Delaware State Historic Preservation Office www.state.de.us/shpo/index.htm



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